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Filipino boxer dies after 4th-round knockout in Thailand

Pope dedicates Palm Sunday to the young

VATICAN CITY—POPE BENEDICT XVI OPENED the Roman Catholic Church's most solemn week by urging young people during his Palm Sunday Mass to [illegible]

This year, Holy Week also includes the second anniversary of the April 2, 2005, death of Pope John Paul II. On Monday, the Catholic Church will close one phase of its inquiry into John [illegible]

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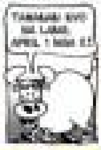
April Fool's joke: GMA had a stroke

By Juliet L. Javellana and Kristine L. Alave

PRESIDENT MACAPAGAL-Arroyo had a stroke yesterday.

But it was just a joke. The April Fool's prank did not spare Malacañang [illegible]

APRIL FOOL'S/ A4





A CATHOLIC priest blesses palm fronds waved by the faithful outside the Redemptorist Church in Baclaran, Parañaque City, on Palm Sunday, which marks the start of Holy Week.

Machinery to ensure total win, says Lakas

GMA camp planning to cheat, opposition counters

By Juliet Labog-Javellana

THE SURVEYS SHOW OTHERWISE BUT THE Arroyo administration yesterday boasted of a 12-0 victory in the senatorial race, and "complete dominance" of the 18,000 local positions in the May 14 elections.

Yesterday was April Fool's Day. Lakas-CMD, a member of the ruling coalition, said it would all boil down to machinery.

"In the end, it will be the well-oiled political machinery of the administration that will back up the victory of all the national and local candidates of the ruling administration coalition," Lakas said in a statement.

But Sen. Sergio Osmeña III, campaign manager of the Genuine Opposition (GO), said the administration's Team Unity (TU) could get 12-0 only by cheating.

"They're dreaming," Osmeña said of the administration.

Officials of Malacañang and Lakas-CMD gave their fearless forecast on the eve of the national convention of the majority party at the Folk Arts Theater in Pasay City.

President Macapagal-Arroyo, Lakas-CMD chair, will lead the convention today to be attended by the 12 Team Unity senatorial candidates and hundreds of Lakas members running for various local positions.

"The Lakas convention will show why the victory of TU is not only plausible but inevitable, regardless of existing surveys," Ms Arroyo's political adviser, Gabriel Claudio, said in a statement.

In the Social Weather Stations survey of March 15-18, the top six spots were held by opposition senatorial candidates.

SWS said either six or seven GO candidates, two independent and either three or four TU candidates were in the "nominal winning circle."

While dismissing the surveys showing the TU's candidates hardly getting into the winning circle, Claudio said the opinion polls were telling them that mayors, governors and barangay officials "have the greatest influence [illegible]

MACHINERY/ A18

Church insists: No to 'jueteng' donations

By Nikko Dizon

THE PHILIPPINE ROMAN Catholic hierarchy yesterday urged Filipinos to share their fortunes with the poor but frowned on donations from "jueteng" lords that the late Jaime Cardinal L. Sin and Mother Teresa had previously justified as acceptable.

In a pastoral letter issued on Palm Sunday, also designated by the Church as Alay Kapwa Sunday, Manila Archbishop Gaudencio Cardinal Rosales called on Filipinos to share "your time, talent and treasure."

"Whenever we see people hungry, thirsty, homeless, sick and oppressed, it is our duty to act," said Rosales. "In sharing, remember that no one is so poor that he has nothing to give and no one is so rich that he has nothing to receive."

But Msgr. Pedro Quitorio III, spokesperson of the 115-member Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines, said in an interview with reporters that the CBCP in 2004 had taken a stand against priests and prelates accepting donations from gambling lords and jueteng sources.

CHURCH/ A4

Buy a house by clicking cell phone

IT SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING straight out of a futuristic film: House hunters, driving past a for-sale sign, stop and point their cell phone at the sign.

With a click, their cell phone screen displays the asking price, the number of bedrooms and baths, and lots of other details about the house.

Cell phones are heading in this direction. New technology, already in use in parts of Asia but still in development in the United States, allows the phones to connect everyday objects to the Internet.

In their new incarnation, cell phones become a sort of digital remote control, as one CEO executive put it.

BUY A HOUSE/ A18

Fish poisoning up as oceans get warm



A RESTAURANT worker tries to net a coral reef fish in Hong Kong. Experts say up to 50,000 people worldwide suffer ciguatera poisoning each year. AP

ILOILO CITY—BOWLS OF PIPING hot barracuda soup were the much-anticipated treat when the Ros family gathered for a casual and relaxing holiday meal.

Within hours, all six fell deathly ill. So did two dozen others from the same neighborhood. Some complained of total body numbness. Others had weakness in their legs. Several couldn't speak or even open their mouths.

"I was scared. I really thought I was going to die," said Debby Ros, 21, a student who felt numbness in his head, tingling in his hands and difficulty in breathing.

What Ros and the others suffered that night last August was ciguatera poisoning, a rarely fatal but growing menace from eating exotic fish. All of the victims had bought portions of the same barracuda from a local vendor.

Experts estimate that up to 50,000 people worldwide suffer ciguatera poisoning each year, with more than 90 percent of cases unreported. Scientists say the risks are getting worse, because of damage that pollution and global warming are inflicting on the coral reefs where many fish species feed.

Dozens of popular fish types, including grouper and barracuda, live near reefs. They accumulate the toxic chemicals in their bodies from eating smaller fish that graze on the poisonous algae. When oceans are warmed by the greenhouse effect and fouled by toxic runoff, coral reefs are damaged and poison [illegible]

FISH/ A4

'Jueteng' witness seeks office

By Christian V. Esguerra

A "JUETENG" LORD-TURNED-whistle-blower is joining the May local elections.

Wilfredo "Boy" Mayor hopes his unusual transformation will win him the vice mayoral seat in his hometown of Daraga in Albay.

Mayor, 52, whose expose two years ago helped paint the extent of jueteng operations in President Macapagal-Arroyo's administration, is up against a candidate supported by the administration's [illegible]

Saying he could not match its resources, Mayor said his political platform alone would convince voters that he was the right man for the job.

"I'm here to show the whole country that jueteng can be stopped and it can be done even by a vice mayor," he told the Inquirer yesterday. "I don't care if I lose because of my advocacy. I'm here to give people an example."

JUETENG/ A4

Jailing of broadcaster revives libel debate

By Germelina Lacorte
Inquirer Mindanao

DAVAO CITY—RADIO BROADcaster Alex "Lex" Adonis, serving time after losing a libel case filed by an administration congressman, appears confident and in control inside the city jail where he is confined.

But he knows well that convicted people like him will soon end up at the Davao Penal Colony in Davao del Norte. There, shadowy personalities he had castigated on air are also serving their sentences.

"Now, what do you think will happen to me when I finally come face-to-face with these people?" he asked.

A hard-hitting broadcaster, Adonis is in jail after he was convicted of libel in January in a case filed by House Majority Leader Prospero Nograles. The court sentenced Adonis to four and a half years in prison.

Adonis was charged after a series of exposés and radio commentaries in 2001 titled "Burlesque King." He identified Nograles as the man who was allegedly seen running naked after being caught in bed by the husband of the woman, according to court records.

Nograles denied the allegation and sued Adonis and other publications which ran the story.

Adonis had also lambasted on air drug lords and members of crime syndicates, government officials and erring policemen.

"If you don't get people mad, you're not doing your job," he said of a supposedly unwritten policy of his former radio station, Bombo Radyo. Management has denied such a policy exists.

Adonis, 43, said he was bracing himself for the prospect of joining at the penal colony the characters he had criticized.

He does not regret the 18 years of his life he has spent in media—except that he remains poor. He was unable to hire a lawyer during the most critical stages of [illegible]

JAILING/ A4



ADONIS: Serving time for libel.

Second FrontPage

Deployed soldier killed in Tondo

By Christine O. Avendaño and Alcuin W. Lopez

FIVE MONTHS AFTER SOLDIERS WERE DEPLOYED TO various slum areas in Metro Manila, ostensibly to conduct civic action, the military suffered its first casualty the other day.

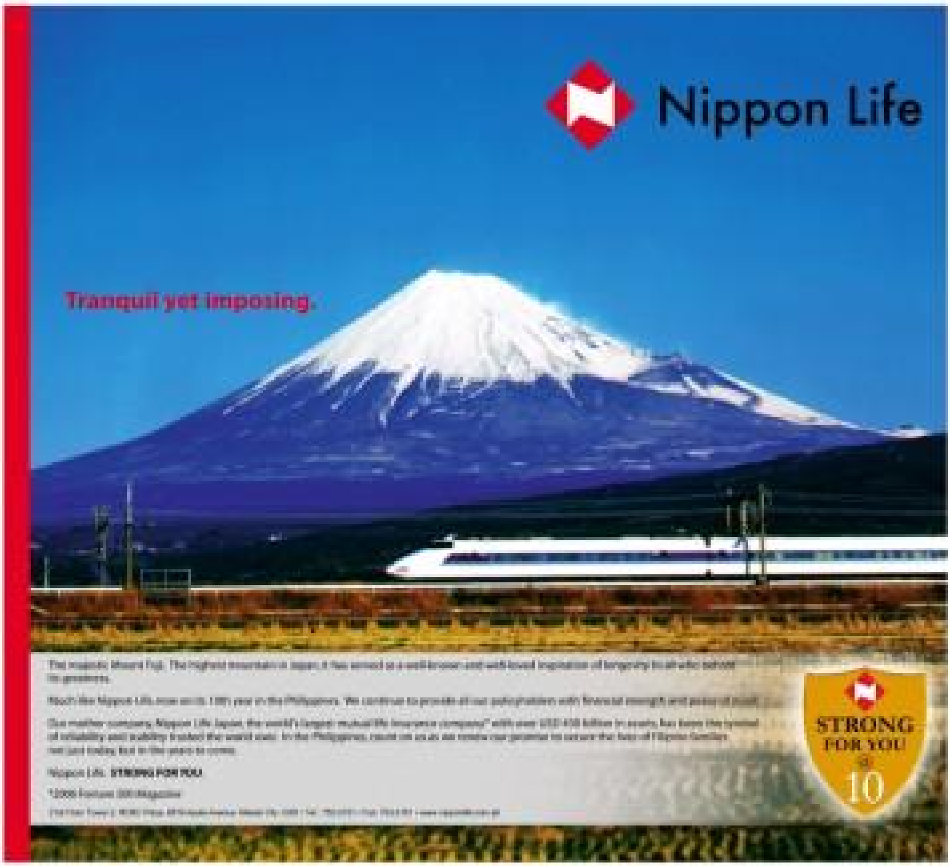
AFP changes tack in Sulu

By Christine O. Avendaño

NPA child-warrior slain in clash

GMA orders speedy solution of Quezon House bet's killing

Siphoning of Solar I oil ends





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THE DAILY GOSPEL



Fish poisoning up as oceans get warm



Bigger problem

Fivefold increase

No way of detecting

IN THE KNOW

Ciguatera poisoning

Ciguatera outbreak

Hard to manage

AP



Poorest tillers to get $2.6M Japan aid

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GO fields 151 House bets, short 68 seats

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

THE GENUINE OPPOSITION (GO) COALITION has fielded at least 151 "winnable and credible" candidates, 68 short of the 219 congressional districts up for grabs in the May 14 midterm elections.

Former Sen. Ernesto Maceda, one of the leaders of the United Opposition (UNO) party, said they have 81 congressional candidates in Luzon, including 27 sectoral representatives, and 70 in the Visayas and Mindanao.

"It's my prediction that we'll get at least 80 seats in Congress. That will be enough to support the impeachment of [President] Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo," Maceda said.

Beneficial to the opposition

The vote of at least one-third of the total House membership of 236 is needed to impeach the President.

The opposition has twice attempted and failed to impeach Ms Arroyo in the last two years over allegations she cheated in the 2004 presidential election.

The two administration parties, Lakas and Kampi (Kabalikat ng Malayang Pilipino), meanwhile, each have bets in 115 congressional districts.

Lakas is led by Speaker Jose de Venecia while Kampi is identified with Ms Arroyo.

Maceda said the fallout from the "deadly fight" between Lakas and Kampi for political supremacy has benefited the opposition.

No command vote

He said the administration-backed [illegible] congressional candidates cannot rely on local officials to campaign for them.

"I don't believe there's a command vote among local officials," he said. "They'll be more concerned getting their own votes."

GO, which was formed at the height of the "Hello Garci" wiretapping controversy in 2005, includes factions of the Liberal Party under ex-Senate President Franklin Drilon, the Nacionalista Party under Senate President Manuel Villar, the Nationalist People's Coalition, Aksyon Demokratiko and some militant groups.

The opposition will get a candidate in Camarines Sur against the President's son, Diosdado "Dato" Arroyo, in the president's first congressional district.

Sabina Abong Maluchi, who is on his last term as mayor of San Fernando, said his advantage is the fact that Ms Arroyo's son is not a native of Camarines Sur.

In Makati

Makati Mayor Jejomar Binay has fielded his daughter Abigail Binay in the city's second district.

Former Agrarian Reform Secretary Ernesto Garilao will run in Pangasinan's 1st congressional district that was vacated by his son. GO senatorial candidate Francis "Chiz" Escudero.

Deputy Speaker Rep. [illegible] has fielded his wife, [illegible], for his second congressional seat. But GO has also endorsed another candidate for the same post, [illegible].

Deposed President Joseph Estrada's lawyer and spokesperson Rufus Rodriguez will run in the first district of Cagayan de Oro City.

MNLF backs Kiram

THE MORO NATIONAL Liberation Front, through the chair of its Davao City State Revolutionary Committee, has reaffirmed its support for administration senatorial candidate Sultan Jamalul Kiram III.

"The MNLF as well as different sectors and Muslim groups will not withdraw backing for Kiram because the whole of Mindanao needs a strong voice in the Senate," said committee chair George Ali.

"It is not only the Muslims in Mindanao who strongly support Kiram's senatorial candidacy but also some of our brother Christians, especially those in the depressed areas of our region," Ali said.

It had been rumored that Kiram, a candidate of Team Unity, was withdrawing his candidacy because of lack of campaign resources.

But Kiram said in a statement that he would not withdraw from the senatorial race despite his poor showing in recent surveys.

He said a Muslim never backs out of a fight. "What I have started, I will surely finish," he said.



Sta. Cruz and Sampaloc rehabilitation projects kick off Maynilad's P32B nine-year CAPEX program. Maynilad Water recently launched two major pipe rehabilitation projects to replace old and deteriorated pipelines in Sta. Cruz and Sampaloc, Manila, including primary lines which have been in existence since the Spanish times. Excavation and pipe-laying works are now going on to cover 22 barangays and provide 4,688 house service connections in Sta. Cruz through the Sta. Cruz 01 Rehabilitation Project, while 32 barangays or 5,409 households will benefit from the Sampaloc 09 Rehabilitation Project. These two projects are part of Maynilad's P32 billion Capital Investment Plan, of which P6.5 billion has been allocated for the installation of 697 km. of new pipes in the whole of Manila. The Capital Investment Plan will be implemented in nine years to improve water service and availability throughout the West Zone, and attain 100% coverage of Maynilad's over 6 million customers by year 2015. These efforts are part of the priority program of Maynilad's new owners, DMCI-Metro Pacific Investments Consortium, to fast track the corporate rehabilitation of the water firm. In photo, Maynilad engineers and contractors lay a 115-mm PVC along Dalisay St. corner Loyola St., Sampaloc, Manila.

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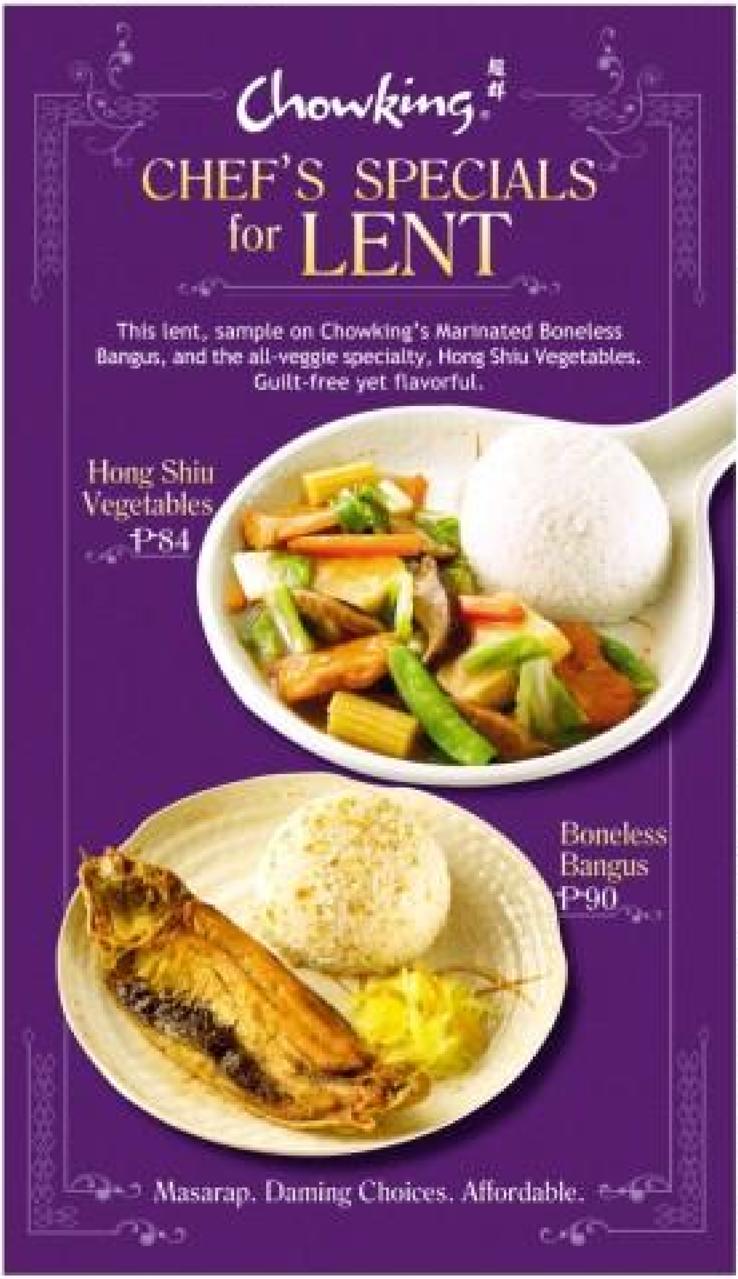


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Alert on vs Reds during Lent

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO—THERE WILL BE NO REST for some 30,000 soldiers in Northern and Central Luzon this Holy Week as the top military commander in the regions ordered "extra vigilance" against communist rebels.

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ROAD TRIP Members of the [illegible]



No singing, dancing for Bayan Muna

BAGUIO CITY—WITH BAYAN MUNA REP. Satur Ocampo in jail [illegible]

ELEKSYON 2007

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Garci camp tells opponents: Prove voters' increase charges

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Local bets use videos, burn posters to win votes



THE RUSH is on for the production of campaign posters only to be destroyed or stolen as they are put up.

Poster burning

Avoiding confrontation

Free-for-all race

Red Bull back on top, whips Coca-Cola

Barangay Ginebra holds off slumping Sta. Lucia Realty



By Musong R. Castillo

JAMES PENNY SHOWED Anthony Johnson who's the boss early and then stressed the obvious later on.

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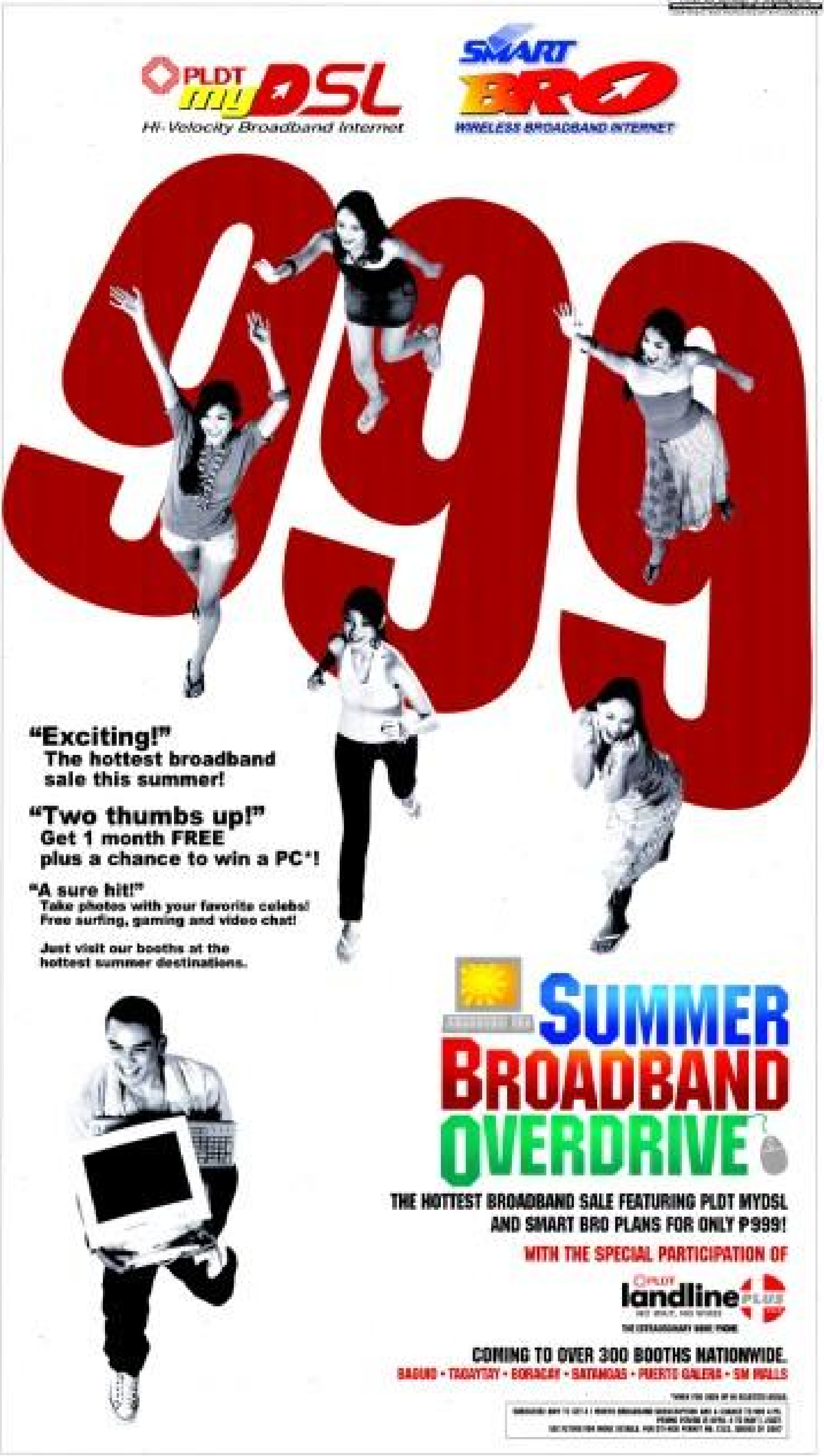
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Editor Ester G. Dipasupil

Dog fight club raided; 14 arrested

By Kristine L. Alave

POLICE RAIDED THE OTHER day a dog fight club in Antipolo City and arrested 14 people, including three Thais and the suspected operator of the illegal games—for illegal gambling and cruelty to animals.

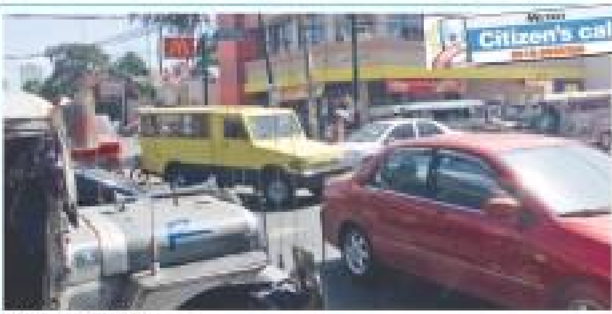
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Barangay [illegible] at about 8:30 p.m. Saturday.

They arrested 14 people, including the alleged mastermind of the dog fight, [illegible]

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DOG FIGHT A20



WANTED: TRAFFIC LIGHTS

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Couple wins lawsuit vs Makati City gov't

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BOXING OFFICIAL IN BIG FIGHT

Dog fight club raided; 14 arrested

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US weighs in, demands release of Britons

CAMP DAVID, MD.—US PRESIDENT GEORGE W. Bush said on Saturday that Iran's detention of 15 British sailors and marines was inexcusable and called on Tehran to release "the hostages" immediately.

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WORLDBRIEFS

3rd Egyptian child positive for bird flu

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Police find explosives stash in northern Spain

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Sydney blackout puts spotlight on global warming

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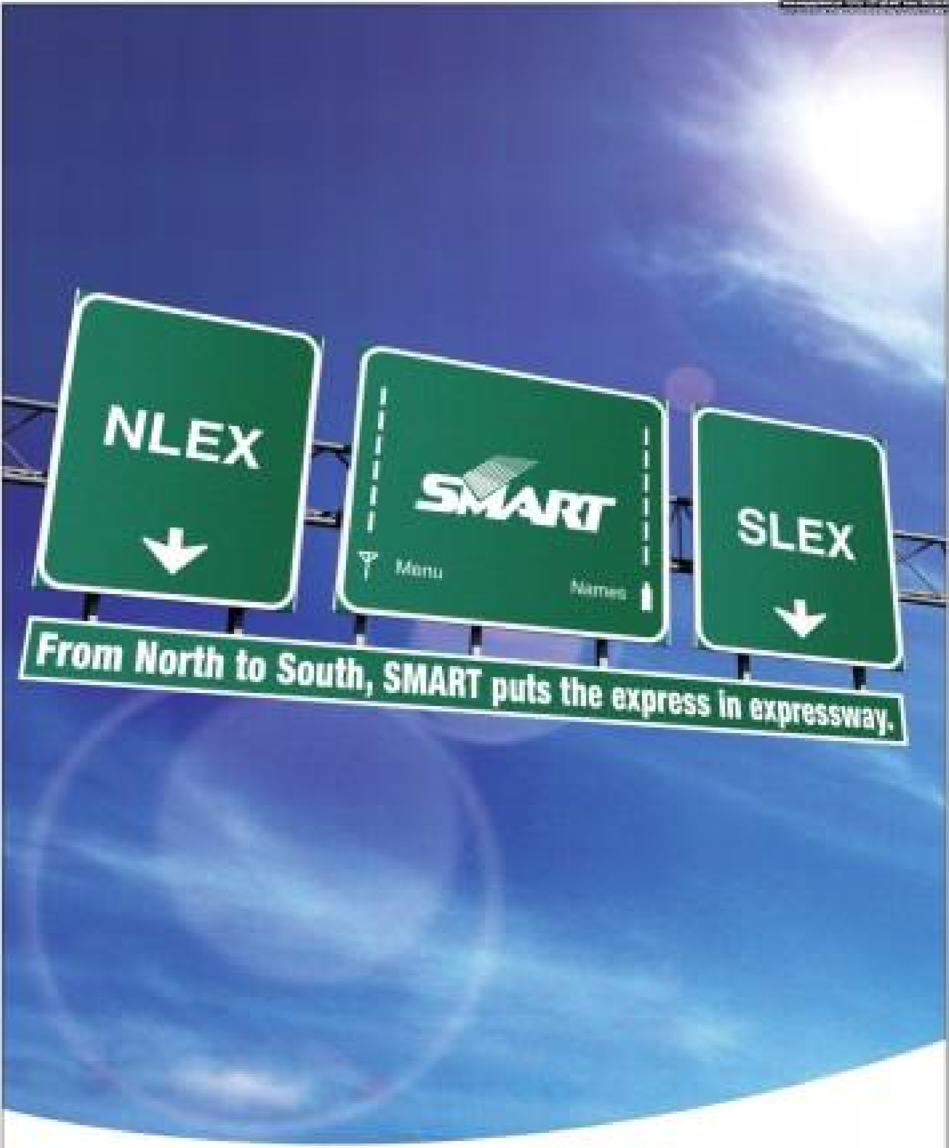
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RP boxer Sisnorio dies after getting KO'd in Bangkok

BANGKOK—FILIPINO BOXER LITO SISNORIO DIED SATURDAY from serious head injuries sustained during a bout against former World Boxing Council flyweight champion Chatchai Sasakul Friday in Bangkok, hospital officials said Sunday.

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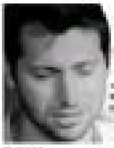


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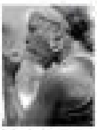


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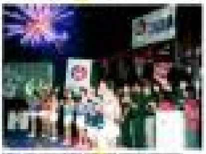
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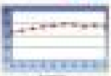
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Sluggish week ahead

RP bad assets worry IMF

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THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND HAS urged Philippine banks to dispose of their bad assets at a faster rate in order to scale up lending activities and set the country on the road to investment recovery.

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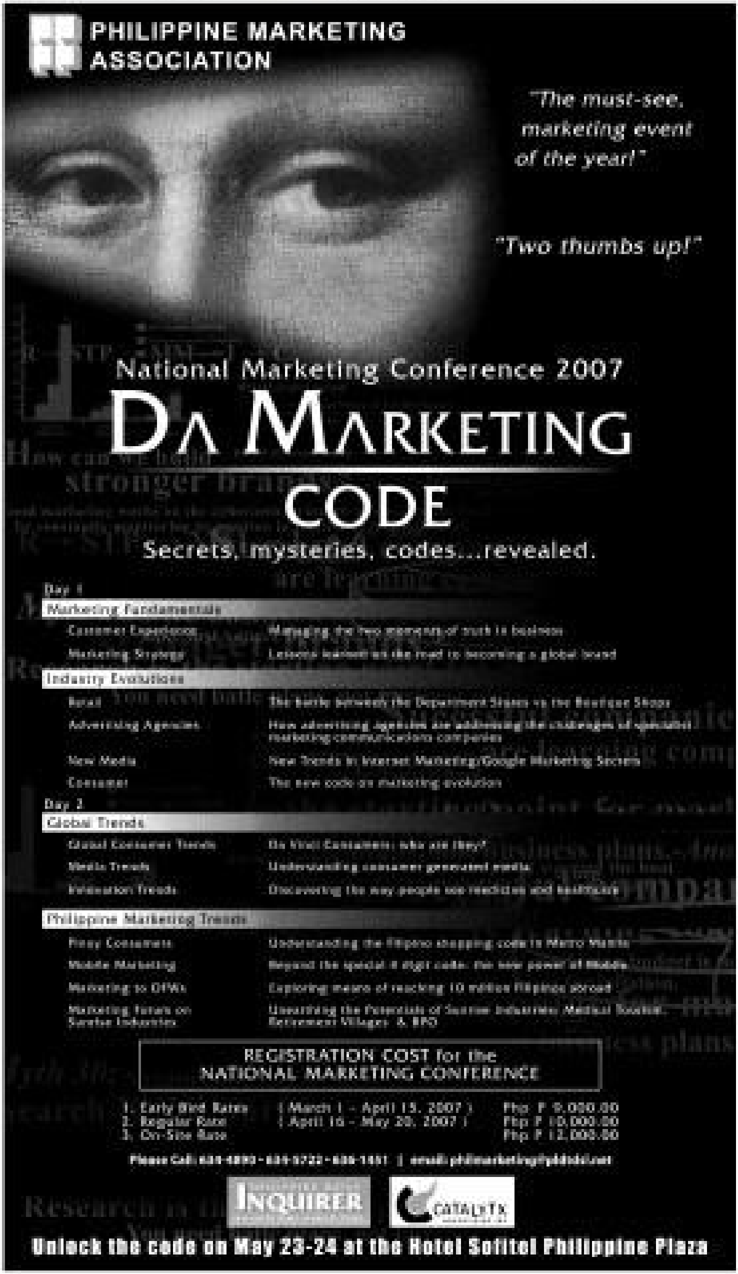
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ABS-CBN signs deal to refinance $85M in debt

By Elizabeth Sanchez Lucas

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Pacific Online sees profit growth

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NFA imports iron fortified rice

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SM to spend P3B on housing projects

By Elizabeth Sanchez Lacson

SM DEVELOPMENT CORP., THE HOUSING development arm of retail magnate Henry Sy Sr., is initially allocating P3 billion for the launch of three residential projects in the first quarter designed to capture part of the fast-growing middle-income market.

"SMDC is now in a better position to assume a more assertive stance in the real property sector. Our milestones in 2006 have given us plenty of opportunities to boost our resources and strategies in building more residential projects near the SM Supermalls," SMDC president Rogelio Cabuang said.

SMDC has soon launched Lindenwood Residences, a 23-hectare subdivision in Alabang, to be developed in partnership with the Madrigal family.

Lindenwood will target starting families, couples and retirees.

The project will have a clubhouse with a 25-m lap pool, kiddie pool, basketball court, playground and one function room.

The project will be turned over by the first quarter of 2008.

The subdivision is a few minutes drive away from SM Southmall.

Aside from Lindenwood, SMDC is launching a 38-story condominium dubbed Berkeley Residences along Katipunan Avenue in Quezon City which will cater to students and university professionals.

Berkeley Residences will have 1,200 to 1,500 units, ranging from 19 to 80 sq. m. in studio type, one-bedroom, two-bedroom and penthouse configurations.

Another condominium project in the pipeline is Grass Residences, which sits on a 3.6-hectare lot in North Edsa.

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By Abigail L. Ho



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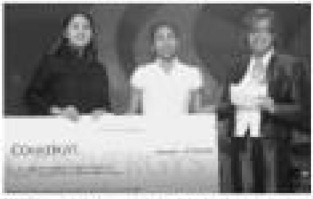
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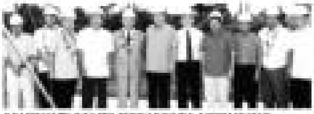
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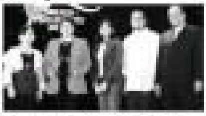


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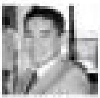
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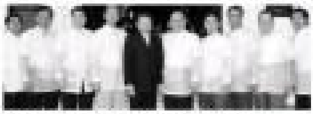


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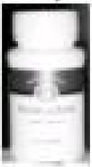
Zippo gallery opens in MOA



Oliver's Lenten sandwiches



Synergy Worldwide's Super Antioxidant



Bits & Clips

Hunt for eggs at Max Brenner Chocolate Bar this Easter

Lafarge supports Lakbay Alalay

Life in the Spirit Seminar

Easter Wonderland at Rockwell

1st Icap Awards Night

Cardiovascular lecture series

Seminar on alternative medicine

Easter at The Heritage Park

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Groundbreaking of Edsa Grand Residences set

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Selling game is all about engaging your consumers



JWT Worldwide president Michael Maedel



JWT Manila vice chair Matt Seddon

LIFESTYLE

PRIDE OF PLACE
Augusto Villalon

Trashing Intramuros



AMONG THE OVERRIDING compulsions of the Philippine Tourism Authority (PTA) appears to always have been to fill up empty lots in open-air centers of Philippine cities and towns with large constructions.

Offending structure





Trashing Intramuros

Lenten acoustic concert at San Carlos Seminary

THE JUBILEE MINISTRY IS HOLDING "Stay With Me," a Lenten acoustic gospel concert, on April 2-3, 8 p.m. and 7 p.m., at the San Carlos Seminary Auditorium on Edsa, Guadalupe, Makati.

The concert features Fr. [illegible], Fr. Carlo Magno Marcelo, [illegible], and [illegible].

Tickets at P[illegible] and P[illegible]. Proceeds will go to various projects of the [illegible] Ministry. Call [illegible].



Easter Sunday events at bookshop

POWERBOOKS WILL HOLD "EASTER Eggscapade with Cat in the Hat" on April 8.

The event will also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the beloved and mischievous Cat in the Hat.

Purchasing any Dr. Seuss' "Cat in the Hat" children's book until April 8 [illegible] with coupons that will serve as their tickets to the "Eggscapade" activities such as scrapbooking, face painting and free picture taking at Powerbooks Greenbelt.

Other activities include storytelling sessions and games with prizes.

Registration starts at 1 p.m.

Kids with a creative knack for dressing up can also join the Cat in the Hat Costume Contest at the same venue. Awards will be given away for the cutest, [illegible] and [illegible] Cat in the Hat dressed costumes.

Meanwhile, Powerbooks Greenbelt and Alabang will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt for kids, ages 3-12. Registration is on Easter Sunday at 4 p.m.

The Easter Egg Design contest in all Powerbooks outlets invites kids from ages 5-12 to embellish their Easter eggs with original and eye-catching designs with a Cat in the Hat motif, using environment-friendly coloring and decorating materials.

Interested parties may register at the Customer Service Counter of any Powerbooks branch until April 8 then submit their entries on Easter Sunday on or before 3 p.m.

The Easter Pick-A-Prize promo at Powerbooks Megamall, Shangri-La, Mall of Asia, [illegible], Glorietta and Festival Supermall lets kids draw out a stub from a fishbowl for a chance to pick an Easter egg.

"Easter Eggscapade with Cat in the Hat" is sponsored by [illegible].

Visit or call Powerbooks Customer Service counters at Greenbelt 4 [illegible], Megamall [illegible], Alabang Town Center [illegible], Glorietta 3 [illegible], Shangri-La [illegible], Robinson's Place Manila [illegible], Mall of Asia [illegible], and Festival Supermall [illegible].





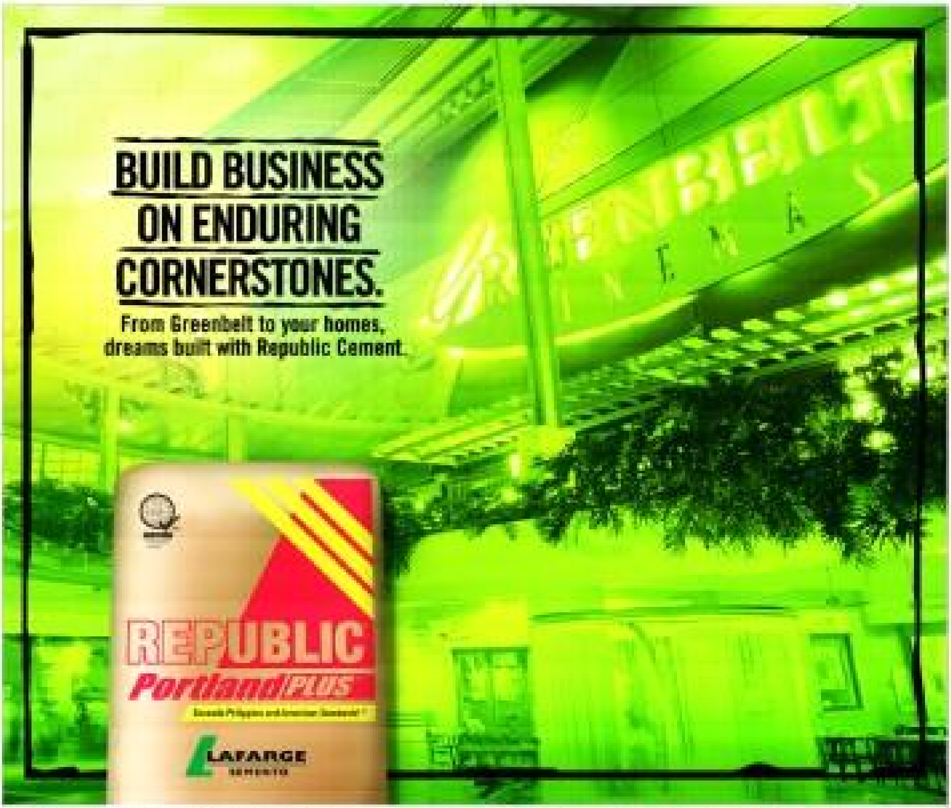
The Quezon 100 is a search for the most accomplished natives of the province



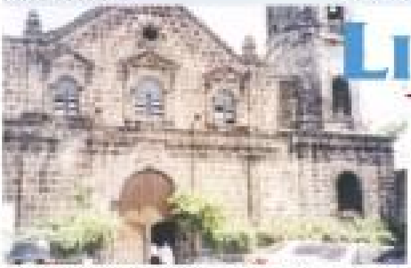



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LIFESTYLE



ON A 1,000-sqm lot stands the towering Sta. Ursula Parish Church in Binangonan, Rizal, built in 1621 by Spanish friars.

Stations of the cross redux

By Gerry Lirio

JESUS CHRIST FELL ONLY once. There was no second or third fall.

Though this is not something the Catholic Church has kept a secret, for many, if not most of the faithful, this is a piece of news.

Christ's last two falls—the seventh and ninth stations—have been stricken off the 14 stations by Pope John Paul II in the early 1990s.

As a result, inside the centuries-old Sta. Ursula Parish in Binangonan, Rizal, the seventh and ninth tableaux representing the two falls have been replaced with those showing Simon of Cyrene helping Jesus carry the cross and Jesus being nailed, respectively.

Simon used to be on the fifth tableau while the nailing scene was on the 11th.

While the old sets were called the pre-Vatican versions, which is based on long-held traditions, the new one is the Biblical version because supposedly it is a more faithful

ALTERNATIVE VISITAS IGLESIA

Lenten tour of magnificent 'retablos'

Text and photos by Manuel Maximo Lopez del Castillo-Noche
Contributor

AS THE PHILIPPINES IS A predominantly Catholic nation, the most elaborate devotions are reserved for Lent. And during this season, together with fasting and abstinence, the most singular devotion for the faithful is to visit the churches and replicate Christ's final hours.



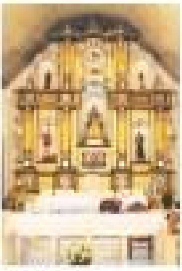
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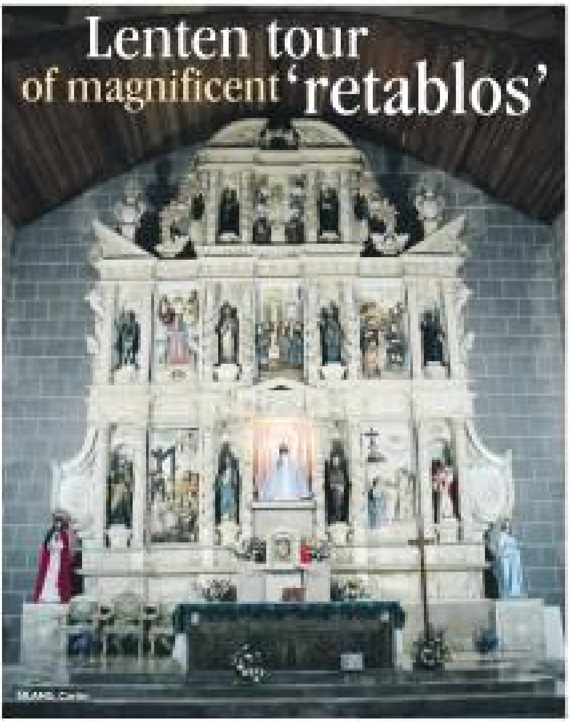

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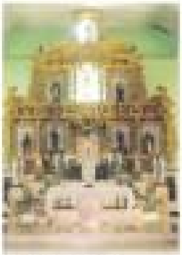

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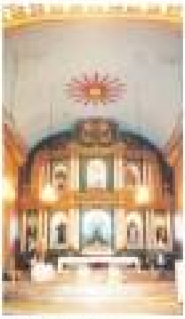

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Lenten tour of magnificent 'retablos'


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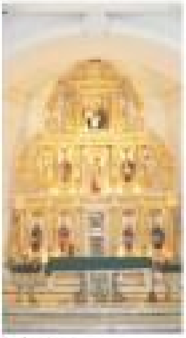

CALASIAO, Pangasinan

Luzon tour

Like theater

Most popular


TAYABAS, Quezon


ORION, Bataan

Stations of the cross redux



Emphasis on Resurrection



The Lenten devotional has quietly undergone revisions, and the old church of Binangonan, Rizal has kept up with the changes







TAGLE EXHIBIT, SUMMER ART WORKSHOP

Carlo Magno's abstracts in Singapore

RENOWNED ABSTRACT artist Carlo Magno opens Galerie Joaquin Singapore's summer season with a special show, "Theory of Mind." The show features 18 artworks done by the artist especially for Singapore.



"MULTITUDE" VI





"PERIPHERY of Thought" (above); "Blaze of Glory" VIII

The stations of the cross of concert organizers

By Pablo A. Tariman
Contributor

THE NEW MANILA SYMPHONY Orchestra (MSO) will mount two concerts, on April 22 and 26, under the baton of Helen Quach and with pianist Christine Coyiuto as soloist. They will play the Grieg A Minor Concerto.



RUSSIAN pianist Sergey Kuznetsov



CONDUCTOR Helen Quach



BARITONE Andrew Fernando

Russian pianist's CD

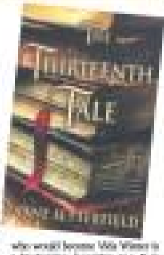
Pinoy baritone in Virginia opera



Impresarios have to mortgage property to mount classical concerts

PIANIST Christine Coyiuto

Chasing her own 'Tale'



"The Thirteenth Tale: A Novel"
By Diane Setterfield

By Ruel S. De Vera

Fascinating, haunting

ENTERTAINMENT



High road to China

Guangzhou firm interested in 8 Regal titles

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

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3 PREMONITION
4 THE CHANTING



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3 BRIDGE to TERABITHIA
4 ALPHA DOG
5 THE GOOD SHEPHERD

LIPA

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3 HAPPY HEARTS
4 BECAUSE I SAID SO
5 ALPHA DOG

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4 ALPHA DOG
5 THE HITCHER

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2 SIGUIJOR
3 THE GOOD SHEPHERD
4 BRIDGE to TERABITHIA

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4 ZOMBIES
5 ALPHA DOG
6 SIGUIJOR

STARMILLS

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3 ALPHA DOG
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5 PATHFINDER
6 300

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Rockwell Center, Makati City

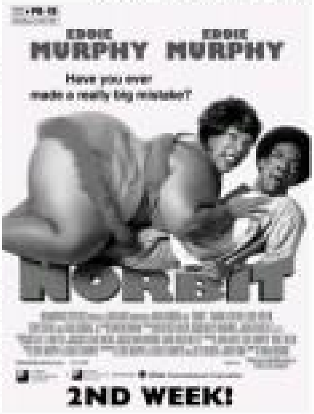
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Two unconventional TV shows make their bid

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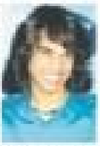


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Indie bands

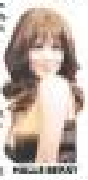
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How Sanjaya could kill 'Idol'


SANJAYA MALAKAR

RUSHES

Suicide attempt


HALLE BERRY

Wedding set?

Donny dumped


DONNY OSMOND


MARIE OSMOND

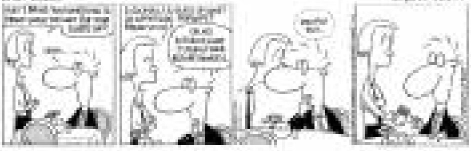
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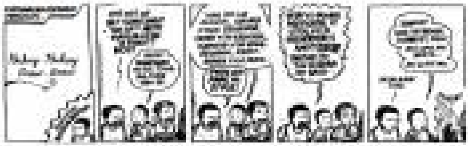


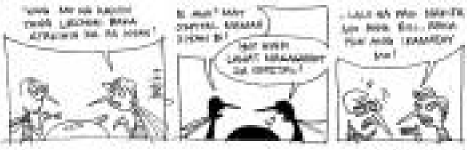
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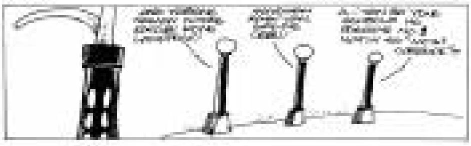


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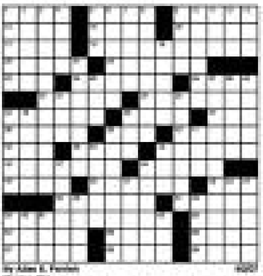




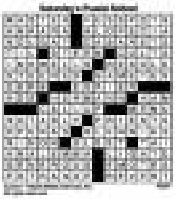




DAILY CROSSWORD



Saturday's Puzzle Solved



HOROSCOPE

CONCEPTIS SU DOKU

Conceptis Sudoku — by Dave Green

8								7
	2		6	3	1		5	
		3	9		8	4		
	7	9				3	2	
	8			4			6	
	4	6				8	7	
		4	7		5	2		
	1		3	2	4		9	
5								3

Difficulty Level ★

HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

Answer to previous puzzle

1	6	3	5	2	8	9	4	7
7	5	4	9	1	3	6	2	8
9	2	8	6	4	7	5	3	1
8	3	2	4	7	6	1	9	5
6	4	9	1	8	5	2	7	3
5	7	1	3	9	2	8	6	4
2	9	5	8	3	4	7	1	6
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What Pia asks of Vic



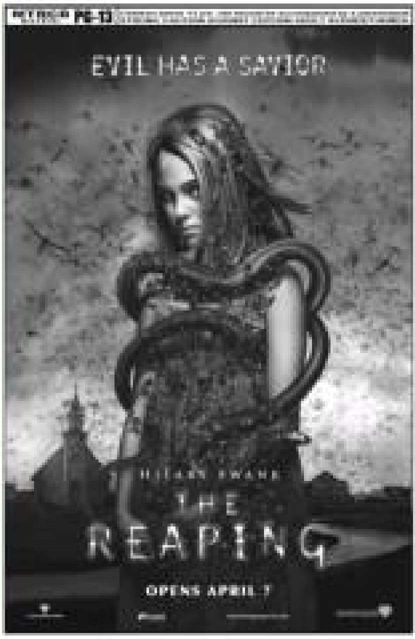


VIC SOTTO HAD LONG WANTed to quit smoking but was not successful in earlier attempts until recently—with the help of girlfriend Pia Guanio.

Discipline







Roundup

Kapamilya tops ratings March 4-17

Clean sweep

